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Mr. Vernon Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
Section of Environmental Analysis
1925 "K" St., N.W., Room 504
Washington, DC 20423-0001

ATTN: Ann E. Newman

**RE: Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 218X), Union Pacific Railroad Company --
Abandonment Exemption - In Kootenai County, Idaho from M.P. 2.25
to M.P. 7.50 (Coeur'd Alene Industrial Lead) - Request to Extend
Negotiation Period**

Dear Ms. Newman:

The Union Pacific Railroad Company ("Union Pacific") has received a request from the North Idaho Centennial Trail Foundation ("NICTF") to extend the negotiation period by 365 days for Interim Trail Use pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 1247(d) and 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29 regarding that portion of the Union Pacific's right-of-way known as the Coeur'd Alene Industrial Lead from Milepost 2.25 at Feeley Spur to Milepost 7.50 near Gibbs, a distance of approximately 5.25 miles in Kootenai County, Idaho.

Union Pacific is willing to continue negotiating with NICTF concerning the acquisition of the subject property for an Interim Trail Use/Rail Banking Agreement and supports the NICTF's request to continue negotiations for an additional period of 365 days from September 11, 2005. A copy of the NICTF's request is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and hereby made a part hereof.

Ten (10) additional copies of this letter and exhibit are enclosed for the Board's use and distribution.

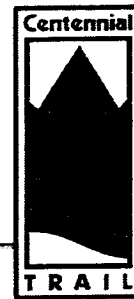
Enclosures

cc: NICTF

Sincerely yours,

Mack H. Shumate, Jr.
Senior General Attorney, Law Department

North Idaho Centennial Trail Foundation



September 7, 2005

Secretary of the Board
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20423

**RE: Docket No. AB-33(Sub-No.218X)
Request to Extend the Period to Negotiate a Trail Use Agreement**

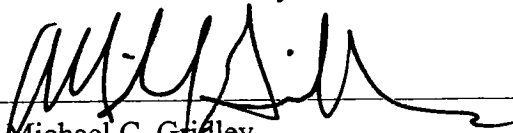
Greetings:

I represent the North Idaho Centennial Trail Foundation (NICTF). On March 11, 2005 the STB issued a Decision and Notice of Interim Trail Use or Abandonment granting the NICTF until September 10, 2005 to negotiate an interim trail use/rail banking agreement with UP.

Although substantial and ongoing discussions have taken place between the NICTF and UP, no interim trail use/rail banking agreement has been reached. However, progress has been made and the NICTF believes that an agreement can be reached if the NICTF and UP have additional time to negotiate.

By this letter the NICTF respectfully requests that the STB grant a **12 month extension** of the period to negotiate a trail use/rail banking agreement with UP. I have spoken with Mike Sattler, UP Sr. Manager – Real Estate, and he has stated that UP would support the requested 12 month extension. My check in the amount of \$350.00 is enclosed in payment of the extension fee.

"I, Michael C. Gridley, Attorney at Law, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Further, I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this pleading. I further certify that I have served all parties of record in this proceeding with this document by United States mail." Executed on September 7, 2005.


Michael C. Gridley
Attorney at Law

cc: STB service list parties

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